

1944

TOWN OF BELMONT
ANNUAL REPORTS

Year Ending December 31, 1944

TOWN of BELMONT

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Annual Reports

of the

Selectmen

And Other Town Officers

Year Ending December 31, 1944



TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

LYLE R. HEATH

Selectmen

STANLEY F. HILL

SAMUEL P. PHILBRICK

CHARLES E. WILLEY

Town Clerk

GUY L. HAMEL

Town Treasurer

WILLIAM E. PHILLIPS

Tax Collector

RUSSELL H. CUSHING

Health Officer

EARL ELLSWORTH

Chief of Police

WILLIAM RICHARDS

Librarian

ETTA B. DEARBORN

Road Agent

HENRY BACH

School Board

JOHN McDONOUGH

MILTON HAYWARD

NORMA PRESCOTT

Trustees of Public Library

NELLIE CHAPLIN

LYLE R. HEATH

HARRY HOWLAND

Trustees of Trust Funds

RUSSELL H. CUSHING

FRED H. PIPER,

ELLIS BLAISDELL

Auditor

ELLIS BLAISDELL

Supervisors

ELLIS BLAISDELL

WALTER PHILBRICK

ALCIDE TURCOTTE

Representative to General Court

SAMUEL P. PHILBRICK

TOWN WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

[L. S.]

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Belmont in the County of Belknap, in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Community Hall, in said Belmont, on Tuesday, the 13th day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To choose one Selectman for three years, one Trustee of the Public Library for three years, and one Trustee of the Trust Funds for three years.
3. To raise such sums of money as recommended in the Budget and make appropriations for the same.
4. To see if the Town will vote to allow a discount of 2% on all Taxes paid on or before July 5th, 1945.
5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.
6. To see if the Town will vote to raise the salary of its Town Clerk, and if so how much.
7. To see if the town will to vote to pay its Trustees of Trust Funds and if so how much.

8. To see if the Town will vote to buy a motor grader and raise and appropriate money for the same.

9. To see if the Town will vote to support United States membership in a general system of international cooperation such as that proposed at the Dunbarton Oaks Conference, having police power to maintain the peace of the world.

10. To see if the Town will vote to elect the Road Agent.

11. To see if the Town will vote to elect the Police officer.

12. To see if the Town will vote to elect the Fire Chief.

13. To see if the Town will vote to make any change in its present Budget System.

14. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 26th day of February in the year of our Lord 1945.

STANLEY F. HILL,
SAMUEL P. PHILBRICK,
CHARLES E. WILLEY,
Selectmen of Belmont.

A true copy of Warrant: Attest:

STANLEY F. HILL,
SAMUEL P. PHILBRICK,
CHARLES E. WILLEY,
Selectmen of Belmont.

B U D G E T

Purposes of Expenditures

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

	1944	Est. 1945	Increase	Decrease
Town Officers' Salaries	1417.13	1500.00	83.00	
Town Officers' Exp.	652.92	650.00		3.00
Elec. and Reg. Exp.	290.91	175.00		115.00

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	283.75	300.00	17.00	
Fire Dept.	2388.19	1800.00		588.00
Moth Ext., Blister Rust	300.00	300.00		

Health:

Health Dept.	623.53	800.00	173.00	
Vital Statistics	10.00	15.00	5.00	

Highways and Bridges:

Town Maint., Summer	4364.86	4000.00		364.86
Street Lighting	929.67	1000.00	70.00	
Gen. Exp. of Highway Dept.	5621.41	4000.00		1621.41
Town Road Aid	349.13	700.00	350.00	

Libraries	500.00	500.00		
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Public Welfare:

Town Poor	736.90	900.00	163.10	
Old Age Assistance	1600.50	2000.00	400.00	

Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day and Other Celebrations	100.00	100.00		
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Public Service Enterprises:

Municipally owned				
Water and Elec. Util.	3650.92	3000.00		650.92
Cemeteries	50.00	50.00		

Interest:

On Long Term Notes	1106.25	1000.00		106.25
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Highways and Bridges

New Equipment		9000.00	9000.00	
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Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

Payments to School Dist.	19000.00	20533.00	1638.00	
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SUMMARY OF INVENTORY

Land and Buildings	\$695,325.00
Growing Wood and Lumber	20,650.00
Electric Plants	79,560.00
74 Horses	7,995.00
4 Oxen	300.00
590 Cows	48,070.00
36 Neat Stock	1,995.00
8 Sheep	40.00
10 Hogs	200.00
6425 Fowls	6,225.00
11 Tractors	3,500.00
1 Portable Mill	400.00
Wood and Lumber	5,300.00
Gasoline Tanks and Pumps	2,340.00
Stock in trade	63,400.00
Mills and Machinery	75,000.00
Total	<hr/> 1,010,300.00
Poll Tax, Regular 590 @ \$2	1,180.00
Poll Tax, Special 627 @ \$3	1,881.00
Total amount of Taxes committed to Collector including regular Poll Tax	42,602.30
Special Poll Tax	<hr/> 1,881.00
Total Taxes committed to Collector	44,483.30
Amount exempt to soldiers	37,990.00
Average Tax Rate per \$100 valuation	4.10

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Library	\$25,000.00
Fire Department	3,800.00
Highway Department	6,000.00
Equipment	8,000.00
Water Department	22,000.00
Schools	35,000.00
Equipment	3,000.00
Land acquired by tax deed	
Jameson lot	500.00
C. A. Lamprey lot	300.00

BONDS OUTSTANDING

No.		Maturity	
25.	First Baptist Church	1945	500.00
26.	Laconia Savings Bank	1945	500.00
27.	Laconia Savings Bank	1945	500.00
28.	Laconia Savings Bank	1946	500.00
29.	Laconia Savings Bank	1946	500.00
30.	Laconia Savings Bank	1946	500.00
31.	Laconia Savings Bank	1947	500.00
32.	Laconia Savings Bank	1947	500.00
33.	Laconia Savings Bank	1947	500.00
34.	Laconia Savings Bank	1948	500.00
35.	Laconia Savings Bank	1948	500.00
36.	Laconia Savings Bank	1948	500.00
37.	Laconia Savings Bank	1949	500.00
38.	Laconia Savings Bank	1949	500.00
39.	Laconia Savings Bank	1949	500.00
40.	Laconia Savings Bank	1950	500.00
41.	Laconia Savings Bank	1950	500.00
42.	Laconia Savings Bank	1950	500.00
43.	Laconia Savings Bank	1951	500.00
44.	Laconia Savings Bank	1951	500.00
45.	Laconia Savings Bank	1951	500.00
46.	F. H. Piper	1952	500.00
47.	F. H. Piper	1952	500.00
48.	Oscar L. Young	1953	500.00
49.	Oscar L. Young	1954	500.00

\$ 12,500.00

APPROPRIATIONS

Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,350.00
Town Officers' Expenses	650.00
Election and Registration	310.00
Police Department	300.00
Fire Department	1,800.00
Blister Rust	300.00
Health Department	700.00
Vital Statistics	15.00
Town Road Aid	350.00
Town Maintenance	3,300.00
Deficit previous year	1,000.00
Street Lighting	1,200.00
General expense of Highway Department	3,300.00
Paid Fire House	100.00
Library	500.00
Old Age Assistance	2,000.00
Town Poor	900.00
Memorial Day	100.00
Water and Utilities	3,000.00
Cemeteries	50.00
Interest	1,200.00
Payment on Principal of Debt	2,500.00
County Tax	3,218. 10
School Tax	19,500.00
Total	<hr/> \$47,643.10

Total Town and School Appropriation	\$47,643.10
Less Estimated Revenue	
Interest and Dividend Tax	352.64
Railroad Tax	60.91
Savings Bank Tax	680.62
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,050.00
Business Licenses	10.00
Interest received on Taxes	425.75
Water Department	3,000.00
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Total Revenues	5,579.92
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	42,063.18
Plus Overlay	539.12
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Net amount to be raised by taxation	\$42,602.30
Less Regular Poll Tax @ \$2	1,180.00
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Amount to be raised by Property Tax on which rate is figured	41,422.30
Taxes Committed to Collector:	
Property Tax	\$41,422.30
Regular Poll @ \$2	1,180.00
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Total Taxes	42,602.30
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Special Poll @ \$3	1,881.00
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Total Taxes Committed	\$44,483.30

Average Tax Rate \$4.10 per \$100

ASSETS

Cash in hands of treasurer	\$ 553.96	
Accounts Due to the Town:		
Due from State		
Int. and Div	275.00	
Railroad	50.00	
Due from County		
Savings Bank	675.00	
Unredeemed Taxes:		
Levy of 1943	276.25	
Levy of 1942	259.61	
Uncollected Taxes:		
Levy of 1944	6,772.25	
Levy of 1943	2.98	
Previous years	20.08	
Water	1,093.46	
Total Assets		9,978.59
Excess of liabilities over assets (Net Debt)		26,982.21
Grand Total		36,960.80
Net Debt, Jan. 31, 1944	30,826.50	
Net Debt, Dec. 31, 1944	26,982.21	
Decrease of Debt	3,844.29	

LIABILITIES
Accounts Owed by the Town

Special \$3 Poll Taxes:

Uncollected—due State	
when collected 296	\$ 888.00
Due to School Districts	
Dog licenses	72.80
Balance of Appro.	8,500.00

9,460.80

Outstanding Temporary Loans

in anticipation of Taxes	1,000.00	1 ,000.00
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Long Term Notes Outstanding:

Well 3%	1,000.00
Refunding 4%	12,500.00

13,500.00

Bonds Outstanding:

Refunding 2½%	13,000.00
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13,000.00

Total Liabilities

36,960.80

RECEIPTS

From Local Taxes:

Total taxes committed	
to Collector, 1944	\$ 44,829.69
Less uncollected, 1944	6,772.25
Property taxes, Current	
Year, actually collected	36,196.44
Poll taxes, Current Year, Reg.	
@ \$2, actually col.	740.00
Poll taxes, Current Year,	
Spec. @ \$3, actually col.	1,121.00
Total of Current Year's collections	38,057.44
Property and Poll taxes, Previous	
Years, actually collected	9,956.03
Tax sales redeemed	149.27

From State:

Plowing Snow	386.70
Fighting forest fires	10.25

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog licenses	202.80
Business licenses and permits	20.00
Registration of motor vehicles,	
1943-44 Permits	919.07
Interest received on Taxes	430.30

Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	15,000.00
Sale of property acquired by tax deed	125.00
Water rental	3,203.45
Bank Stock Tax	10.00
Misc.	200.35
Total Receipts from all Sources	<hr/> 68,670.66
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1944	690.14
Grand Total	<hr/> 69,360.80

PAYMENTS

General Government:

Town officers' salaries	1,417.13
Town officers' expenses	652.92
Eleec. and reg. expenses	290.91
Civilian Defense	37.03

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police dept., inc. care of tramps	283.75
Fire dept., inc. forest fires	2,388.19
Moth ext., blister rust	300.00
Bounties	33.50
Damage by dogs	130.00

Health:

Health dept., inc. hospitals	623.53
Vital statistics	10.00
Hydrant maintenance	450.50

Highways and Bridges:

Town road aid	349.13
Town maintenance	
Summer	2,496.98
winter	1,867.88
Street lighting	929.67
Gen. exp. highway dept.	5,621.41

Libraries:

Libraries	500.00
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Public Welfare:

Old age assistance	1,600.50
Town poor	736.90

Patriotic Purposes:

Aid to G. A. R. Memorial Day ex.	100.00
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Public Service Enterprises:

Appro. to water and elec. util.	3,650.92
Cemeteries	50.00

Unclassified:

Damages and legal exp.	25.00
Taxes bought by town	1,371.23

Interest:

On temp. loans in anticipation of taxes	168.75	
Pd. on long term note	937.50	
total interest Payments		1,106.25

Indebtedness:

Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	15,000.00	
Payments on long term notes	2,000.00	
Payments on bonded debt	1,500.00	
Total Indebtedness Payments		18,500.00

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

Special Poll Taxes	
@ \$3 paid to State	1,065.41
Taxes paid to County	3,218.10
Payments to School Districts	19,000.00

Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions	23,283.51
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Total Payments for all Purposes	68,806.84
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Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1944	553.96
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Grand Total	\$69,360.80
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TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

Detailed Statement of Receipts

1944

February:

1	Cash on hand	\$690.14
29	R. H. Cushing 1943 Levy	839.70
29	R. H. Cushing Interest	11.62

March:

22	R. H. Cushing 1943 Levy	865.47
22	R. H. Cushing Interest	15.40
22	R. H. Cushing Water Rent	514.00
23	Peoples National Bank, loan	14,831.25

April:

7	Ivo Weeks, wood	2.00
7	Socony Vacuum Oil Co., refund	131.50
11	Guy L. Hamel, 1944 Auto Permits	597.16
11	Guy L. Hamel, 1943 Auto Permits	3.00
11	Guy L. Hamel, 1943 Dog Tax	19.80
11	Frances Marden, Wood	10.00
21	New England Tel. Co., refund	1.30
28	R. H. Cushing 1943 Levy	927.41
28	R. H. Cushing Interest	23.15

June

8	Citizens National Bank, Bank Stock Tax	10.00
16	State of N. H., forest fire	10.25
24	R. H. Cushing 1943 Levy	3,487.90
24	R. H. Cushing Interest	20.31
24	R. H. Cushing Water Rent	227.75
30	State of N. H., truck driver and helper	152.40

July

28	R. H. Cushing 1943 Levy	1,099.45
28	R. H. Cushing Interest	184.33
28	R. H. Cushing 1944 Levy	2,445.49

28	R. H. Cushing	Redeemed	88.15
28	R. H. Cushing	Interest	21.40
28	R. H. Cushing	Fee	1.25
August:			
12	R. H. Cushing	1944 Levy	3,909.19
12	R. H. Cushing	1943 Levy	553.41
12	R. H. Cushing	Interest	27.86
12	R. H. Cushing	Water Rent	558.51
19	R. H. Cushing	1944 Levy	3,008.85
19	R. H. Cushing	1943 Levy	728.38
19	R. H. Cushing	Interest	40.05
19	R. H. Cushing	Water Rent	217.00
24	Louis Vachon, Wood		14.00
September:			
9	Josephine Stickney, sale Foster Camp		50.00
15	C. B. Dearborn, Refund		27.20
18	R. H. Cushing	1944 Levy	3,511.84
20	R. H. Cushing	1943 Levy	935.42
20	R. H. Cushing	Interest	48.85
20	R. H. Cushing	Water Rent	372.50
20	Luther Brown, sale Real Estate		25.00
20	State of N. H., Forest Fire		16.20
October:			
3	State of N. H., hauling gravel		48.00
7	State of N. H., use of truck		26.40
7	Belmont Hosiery Co., refund		10.00
21	R. H. Cushing	1944 Levy	2,048.45
November:			
7	N. J. Rhodes, Pool License		20.00
7	Josephine Stickney, sale Foster Camp		25.00
13	R. H. Cushing	1944 Levy	5,401.29
13	R. H. Cushing	Water Rent	387.49
24	R. H. Cushing	1944 Levy	1,639.58
29	R. H. Cushing	1944 Levy	10,323.85

December:

2	R. H. Cushing 1944 Levy	3,050.70
15	R. H. Cushing 1944 Levy	950.21
15	R. H. Cushing Interest	.30
15	R. H. Cushing, Water Rent	791.70
28	Lorenzo Cass, Sale of Land	25.00
28	State of N. H., Plowing Snow	45.00
30	Earl Ellsworth, use of Telephone	3.10
30	State of N. H., Plowing Snow	52.50
30	Selectmen, Interest	168.75
30	Guy L. Hamel, 1943 Dog Tax	3.60
30	Guy L. Hamel, 1944 Dog Tax	179.40
30	Guy L. Hamel, Auto Permits	318.91
30	State of N. H., Plowing Snow	15.00
30	State of N. H., Plowing Snow	31.20
30	R. H. Cushing 1944 Levy	1,431.04
30	R. H. Cushing Interest	3.14
30	R. H. Cushing 1942 Levy	165.70
30	R. H. Cushing Taxes Added	16.52
30	R. H. Cushing Interest	17.39
30	R. H. Cushing 1941 Levy	55.00
30	R. H. Cushing Interest	2.78
30	R. H. Cushing 1943 Previous Year	281.67
30	R. H. Cushing Interest	7.81
30	R. H. Cushing 1944 Taxes Added	336.95
30	R. H. Cushing Water Rent	134.50
30	R. H. Cushing Redeemed	61.12
30	R. H. Cushing Interest	5.91
Total		<hr/> \$69,360.80

WILLIAM E. PHILLIPS
Town Treasurer

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

From Local Taxes	
R. H. Cushing, current year	\$38,057.44
R. H. Cushing, previous year	9,956.03
R. H. Cushing, redemption	149.27
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Total	48,162.74
 From State	
Forest Fires	10.25
Plowing snow and trucking	386.70
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	396.95
Dog Licenses	
Guy L. Hamel	202.80
Other Licenses and Permits	
Nicholas Rhodes, pool table	20.00
Interest Received	
R. H. Cushing	430.30
Registration of Motor Vehicles	
Guy L. Hamel	919.07
Water Rent	
R. H. Cushing	3,203.45
Bank Stock Tax	
R. H. Cushing, Collector	10.00
Temporary Loan	
Peoples National Bank	15,000.00
Miscellaneous	
Ivo Weeks, wood	2.00
Francis Marden, wood	10.00
Noah Vachon, wood	14.00
R. H. Cushing, fee	1.25
Earl Ellsworth, use of telephone	3.10

Socony Vacuum, refund	131.50
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., refund	1.30
Belmont Hosiery, refund	10.00
C. B. Dearborn, refund	27.20
Josephine Stickney, on account	75.00
Luther Brown, land	25.00
Lorenzo Cass, land	25.00
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	325.35

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers' Salaries

Stanley F. Hill, Selectman	\$250.00
Samuel P. Philbrick, Selectman	200.00
Chas. E. Willey, Selectman	200.00
Wm. E. Phillips, Treasurer	120.00
Guy L. Hamel, Clerk	157.70
R. H. Cushing, Tax Collector	401.34
Walter Philbrick, Supervisor	44.00
Lyle Heath, Moderator	10.00

Total	1,383.04
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Town Officers' Expenses

Citizen Publishing Co., printing	30.45
Edson C. Eastman, supplies	32.58
Belmont Hosiery Co., lights	14.74
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., office telephone	28.67
Byse Insurance Co., insurance officers' bonds	75.00
R. H. Cushing, printing	24.73
Robert Foss, town reports	138.45
Laconia Savings Bank, deposit box	3.00
Vera Holmes, deceased list	.30
Elizabeth Sanborn, transfers and deeds	34.80
Webster Print , signs	5.00
Herbert Prescott, supplies	1.76
Belmont Cafe, eats	32.44
Donald Lister, killing dog	2.00
Stanley Hill, Selectman's expense	50.00
Samuel Philbrick, Selectman's expense	50.00
Chas. E. Willey, Selectman's expense	50.00
Guy L. Hamel, expense	9.00
Nellie Chaplain, copying inventory	20.00
Wm. Phillips, expense	50.00

Total	652.92
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Election and Registration

Belmont Hosiery	50.00
Carl Sanborn, ballot clerks	48.00
Walter Philbrick, Supervisors	126.00
Belmont Cafe, lunch	12.80
Wm. Richards, labor	21.00
Clifford Robichard, labor	10.20
Earl Ellsworth, labor	22.91

Total	290.91
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Civilian Defense

N. E. T. & T. Co.	17.03
John M. McDonough, insurance	3.00
Ludger Parent, trucking	17.00

Total	37.03
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Police

Wm. Richards, police duty	278.75
Earl Ellsworth, special	5.00

Total	283.75
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Fire

J. H. Labbee, oil	61.59
Laflam Garage, mdse.	56.50
Town of Belmont, hydrant rental	450.00
Bryant & Lawrence, mdse.	6.28
N. E. T. & T. Co., telephone	42.25
Fire Protection Co., hose	417.60
American La France, mdse.	23.41
Clifford Robichard, painting firehouse	135.10

Belmont Fire Department, pay roll	789.50
Harry Howland, mdse.	10.00
Ellis Blaisdell, Winnisquam approp. and forest fire	315.00
Earl Ellsworth, Forest Fire	79.46
Robert Lecoux, clean oil burner	1.50
Total	<hr/> 2,388.19
Blister Rust	
Treasurer State of N. H.	300.00
Bounties	
Chas. E. Willey	23.00
Sidney Bean	3.50
Samuel P. Philbrick	7.00
Total	<hr/> 33.50
Damage by Dogs	
Frances Bertholet	10.00
Helen Chabot	20.00
Samuel P. Philbrick	100.00
Total	<hr/> 130.00
Health Department	
Everett Weeks	90.00
Ludger Parent	473.00
Homer Dutile	25.00
Earl Ellsworth	35.53
Total	<hr/> 623.53
Vital Statistics	
Guy L. Hamel	10.00

Town Maintenance	
Henry Bach	1,859.78
Roland Thompson	935.05
Everett Sayward	309.84
Robert Hislop	405.00
Homer Dutile	200.00
Everett Weeks	24.00
Withholding Tax	273.19
Geo. Frazier	104.80
Robert Bernoir	59.60
Amos Parent	16.20
Parker Stroud	34.60
Albert Thompson	3.00
Clinton Vachon	16.80
Lester Chase	66.60
Leon Ellsworth	3.00
Donald Lister	2.40
Chas. Jones	8.40
Ernest Wells	4.20
Clarence Tuttle	9.60
Wm. Messieur	28.80
Total	<hr/> 4,364.86
T. R. A.	
Treasurer State of N. H.	349.13
Hydrant Rental	
R. H. Cushing	450.50
Street Lighting	
Belmont Hosiery Co.	849.00
Public Service Co., of N. H.	80.67
Total	<hr/> 929.67

General Expense of Highway Department

Belmont Hosiery, lights	16.94
Treas. State of N. H., tax	448.17
W. D. Huse Sons, labor and hardware	107.68
Ray Road Equipment, hardware	223.15
Wendell Dearborn, wood	14.00
Lorenzo Cass, labor	33.90
H. P. Welch, express	5.18
Henry Bach, express	7.25
Henry Howland, mdse.	30.00
Wm. Phillips, express	10.08
J. W. Jacques	7.25
Laconia Hardware	13.96
Archie Forger	1.00
J. H. Chase	19.78
Spear Welding	57.00
C. H. Dorval	13.98
N. E. T. & T. Co.	31.98
J. M. Mahony	258.40
R. C. Hazelton	131.19
Cantin Chevrolet	23.45
LaFlam Garage	401.44
Socony Vacuum	379.51
R. L. Merrill	58.50
Herbert Mfg. Co.	1.08
Diamond Match Co.	146.96
Francis Marden	13.50
Ernest Morrison	1.50
Manchester Sand & Gravel Co.	1,212.62
Sanel Auto Parts Co.	97.39
Auto Electric Service Co.	30.65
N. H. Explosive Co.	97.02
Harry Fellows	10.50
Perkins Eaton Co.	481.99
Standard Fence Co.	112.32

Frank Judkins	128.80
Municipal Steel Corp.	163.91
Northeastern Petroleum	397.58
John McDonough	261.75
Ed. Sleeper	32.00
Laconia Auto Wrecking	5.00
Casellinner-Venable Corp.	120.00
C. E. Marden	8.95
Chas. Willey	4.10
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Total	5,621.41
Library	
Nellie Chaplain, Treasurer	500.00
Old Age Assistance	
Treasurer State of N. H.	1,600.50
Town Poor	
Bernice Dame	685.75
Dr. C. S. Abbott	12.00
Story Drug Store	36.15
Laconia Clinic	3.00
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Total	736.90
Memorial Day	
Wm. Richards	100.00
\$3.00 Poll Tax	
Treasurer State of N. H.	1,065.41
Water Works	
Belmont Hosiery, power	884.53
C. B. Dearborn, labor	1,929.78
R. D. Wood, pipe	266.43
Laconia Water Works, labor	399.28
Red Head Mfg. Co., mdse.	22.86
Franklin Water Works, pump	6.00

Ray Merrill, freight	37.94
W. D. Huse, labor	1.86
H. Bickford, mdse.	5.75
Johnson Barker, mdse	38.09
Henry Bach, labor	46.40
Yvonne Blanchard, rent	12.00
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Total	3,650.92
Cemeteries	
R. H. Cushing	50.00
Damages	
Viola Defosse	25.00
Taxes Bought by Town	
R. H. Cushing	1,371.23
Interest	
Peoples National Bank	447.50
Laconia Savings Bank	400.00
First Baptist Church	40.00
Walter Sanborn	10.00
Fred Piper	40.00
Treasurer Town of Belmont	168.75
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Total	1,106.25
Temporary Loan	
Peoples National Bank	15,000.00
Long Term Notes and Bonds	
First Baptist Church	1,500.00
Peoples National Bank	2,000.00
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Total	3,500.00
County Tax	
Treasurer Belknap County	3,218.10
School	
Treasurer Belmont School District	19,000.00

PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT

Receipts

Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1944	\$ 483.96
Town appropriation	500.00
Duffy fund	348.83
Rent of Memorial Hall	46.25
Refund on books	5.87
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	\$1,384.91

Expenditures

Librarian	\$ 330.00
Janitor	90.80
Belmont Hosiery Co., heat	75.00
Lights	37.36
Water rent	11.00
Books	214.26
Papers, magazines	46.00
Cleaning Library	16.00
Treasurer's salary and expenses	10.00
Minor expenses	14.87
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	\$ 845.29
Balance on hand	539.62
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	\$ 1,384.91

NELLIE C. CHAPLIN
LYLE R. HEATH
HENRY A. HOWLAND
Trustees of Library

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

		1944
Number of auto permits issued	442	
Number of trucks	54	
Number of motor cycles	3	
Number of pleasure cars	385	
Total Amount collected for permits		\$916.07
Dog Licenses		
1943 Collections		23.40
1944 Collections		179.40
2 Kennel Licenses		
1 Female Dog		
82 Male Dogs		\$202.80

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

	Tax Added	Warrant	Collection	Due
1944	342.95	44483.30	38057.44	6768.81
1943	59.80	9721.79	9778.61	2.98
1942	16.51	165.71	182.22	
1941		75.08	55.00	20.08
	419.26	54445.88	48073.27	6791.87

RUSSELL H. CUSHING,
Tax Collector

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS
on Funds Used on Old Cemeteries

Receipts

Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1944	\$ 42.55
Received from Town Oct. 20, 1944	50.00
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Total	92.55

Expenditures

Oct. 20, 1944	
Pd Walter L. Sanborn, labor on old cemeteries	33.40
Dec. 30, 1944	
Pd Walter L. Sanborn, labor Mt. Auburn Cem.	1.00
Dec. 30 1944	
Pd Stanley Hill, labor caring for	
Jackson and Adam Cemeteries	4.00
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Total	38.40
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1944	54.15
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	92.55

Receipts

May 16, 1944	
Recd. from Laconia Savings Bank	\$ 1.75
Recd. from Laconia Savings Bank	61.00
Recd. from Laconia Savings Bank	9.00
Recd. from Laconia Savings Bank	124.50
Oct. 11, 1944	
Recd. from Laconia Savings Bank	10.80
Dec. 29, 1944	
Recd. from Laconia Savings Bank	24.25
Total	<hr/> 231.30

Expenditures

May 16, 1944	
Pd. Walter L. Sanborn, Highland Cemetery	1.75
Walter L. Sanborn,	
care of lots in Cemetery	58.00
W. L. Sanborn, care Electa Currier lot	3.00
Prescott's Flower Store, flowers for Fifield lot	5.00
Prescott's Flower Store, flowers for Knowles lot	4.00
E. C. Couch, care lots in South Rd. Cem'y	74.50
Dec. 29, 1944	
Walter Sanborn, care lots	10.80
Walter Sanborn, care at Highland Cemetery	3.25
Stanley Hill, care lots Jamestown Cemetery	21.00
Aug. 8, 1944	
E. C. Couch, mowing South Road	25.00
Frank Judkins (E. C. Couch) labor	15.00
Total Expenditures	<hr/> 221.30
Dec. 30, 1944: Cash on hand	10.00
Total	<hr/> 231.30

REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT
Winnisquam Division

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1944	\$ 151.15
Appropriation Town of Belmont	300.00
Appropriation Town of Sanbornton	400.00
Town of Tilton	21.00
Forest Fires	149.00
Bond Sale and Dance	164.94
	<hr/> 1,186.09
 Pay Roll for Department	 167.50
Rent	25.00
Maintenance of Truck	143.79
Maintenance of Equipment	24.41
Heating	72.79
New Equipment	673.81
	<hr/> 1,107.30
 Balance on Hand Jan. 1, 1945	 \$ 78.79

W. O. ROLLINS,
Clerk and Treasurer.

TOWN INDEBTEDNESS

	Refunding 1% Bonds	Well 3% Notes	Refunding 2½% Notes	Tilton Rd. 5% Notes	Total Due Each Year
1945	1,500	1,000	1,000		3,500
1946	1,500		1,000		2,500
1947	1,500		1,000		2,500
1948	1,500		1,000		2,500
1949	1,500		1,000		2,500
1950	1,500		1,000		2,500
1951	1,500		1,000		2,500
1952	1,000		1,000		2,000
1953	500		1,000		1,500
1954	500		1,000		1,500
1955			1,000		1,000
1956			1,000		1,000
1957			1,000		1,000
	<hr/> \$12,500	<hr/> \$1,000	<hr/> \$13,000	<hr/>	<hr/> \$26,500

Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Belmont on December 31, 1944

Date Creation	TRUST FUNDS Purpose of Creation	How Invested	Principal	Rate Int'st	Income on hand at beginning of year	Income during year	Balance on hand at end of year
1902	Sylvia A. Walcott fund, care of lot on Kinsley Hall farm	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	2½%	30.13	1.63	29.96
1907	Stevens Fifield fund, care of lot in South Road Cemetery	" "	2000.00	2½	212.72	27.65	163.37
1909	W. H. Sanborn fund, care of lot in South Road Cemetery	" "	75.00	2½	2.05	1.25	1.33
1909	John S. Folsom fund, care of lot in Province Road Cemetery	" "	100.00	2½	76.53	2.20	76.03
1910	Stephen S. Folsom fund, care of lot in Highland Cemetery	" "	100.00	2½	13.94	1.41	10.85
1916	James N. Hall fund, care of lot in South Road Cemetery	" "	100.00	2½	64.18	2.05	63.23
1916	Charles E. Cate fund, care of lot in Highland Cemetery	" "	300.00	2½	111.46	5.14	109.85
1917	Joseph M. Folsom fund, care of lot in Highland Cemetery	" "	100.00	2½	24.62	1.55	22.17
1920-5	George W. Fifield fund, care of lot in Gilmanston South Road Cemetery	" "	1287.00	2½	218.19	18.81	236.91
1920	Silas Leavitt fund, care of Joseph Leavitt Cemetery	" "	100.00	2½	76.86	2.20	76.36
1921	Mrs. Louis Ingalls fund, Hannah P. Brown lot, Highland Cemetery	" "	100.00	2½	32.53	1.65	31.18
1921	Sarah E. Piper fund, Piper & Sweatt lots, Highland Cemetery	" "	100.00	2½	10.93	1.38	9.31
1921	D. W. Gale fund, care of lot in High- land Cemetery	" "	100.00	2½	13.35	1.42	11.77

1921	Blanche Weymouth fund, care of lot in Highland Cemetery	Laconia Savings Bank	100.00	2½	13.31	1 41	3.00	11.72
1921	Lydia A. Willard fund, care of lot in Highland Cemetery	"	50.00	2½	4.98	68	1.50	4.16
1921	Lillian M. Knowles fund, care C. W. Knowles lot, So. Road Cemetery	"	100.00	2½	15.75	1 44	3.00	14.09
1922	Electa Currier fund, care of lot in Mt. Auburn Cemetery	"	100.00	2½	55.29	1 94	3.00	54.23
1922	Etta H. Gilman fund, care half lot in South Road Cemetery	"	50.00	2½	.16	63		.79
1922	Happa Latty fund, care of lot in So. Road Cemetery	"	100.00	2½	34.84	1 68	3.00	33.52
1923	Mrs. Josephine Hall fund, care of lot in Jamestown Cemetery	"	50.00	2½	13.99	79	4.00	10.78
1924	John A. Ladd fund, care of lot in Highland Cemetery	"	60.00	2½	6.24	83	2.00	5.07
1924	Thomas Clark fund, care of lot in Highland Cemetery	"	60.00	2½	8.73	85	3.00	6.58
1924	William Kilborn fund, care of lot in Highland Cemetery	"	121.32	2½	37.53	1 97	4.00	35.50
1924	Mason & Clark fund, care of lot in Highland Cemetery	"	60.00	2½	7.76	84	2.00	6.60
1924	Fred Brown fund, care of Evans lot in Highland Cemetery	"	50.00	2½	67.19	1 44	5 75	62.88
1924	William H. Morrell fund, care of Jamestown Cemetery	"	100.00	2½	12.70	1 40	4.00	10.10
1924	Fred A. Currier fund, care of Jamestown Cemetery	"	200.00	2½	27.15	2 84	8.00	21.99
1925	Cora E. Thompson fund, care of lot No. 54, South Road Cemetery	"	75.00	2½	15.56	1 12	3.00	13.68
1926	Clara N. Lovejoy fund, care of lot in Highland Cemetery	"	100.00	2½	24.44	1 55	4.00	21.99

Report of Trust Funds—Continued

Date Creation	TRUST FUNDS Purpose of Creation	How Invested	Principal	Rate Int't	Income on hand at beginning of year	Income during year	Expend during year	Balance on hand at end of year
1926	Mattie C. Adams fund, care of lot in Jamestown Cemetery	"	20.00	2½	3.64	.29	1.00	2.93
1927	Dana D. Maxfield fund, care of lot in South Road Cemetery	"	100.00	2½	13.52	1.41	4.00	10.93
1927	C. S. Watson fund, care Batchelder half lot No. 16, Highland Cem'ty	"	50.00	2½	4.80	.68	1.50	3.93
1928	W. C. Wells fund, care J. W. Wells lot No. 12, Highland Cemetery	"	100.00	2½	12.25	1.40	3.00	10.65
1928	Etta Gilman fund, care of her own lot in South Road Cemetery	"	50.00	2½	21.01	1.51	5.00	17.52
1928	Etta Gilman fund, care C. S. Gilman lot in South Road Cemetery	"	50.00	2½				
1930	A. L. West fund, care of lot No. 62 in South Road Cemetery	"	100.00	2½	13.03	1.41	2.00	12.44
1930	Laurentine Sanborn fund, care of lot No. 88 in South Road Cemetery	"	100.00	2½	22.91	1.53	3.00	21.44
1930	John Bean, Est. Mrs. Ella Bean, care lot No. 33 in South Road Cemetery	"	100.00	2½	22.89	1.53	2.00	22.42
1930	Fred W. Bickford fund, care of lot in South Road Cemetery	"	50.00	2½	1.54	.64	1.50	.68
1933	Samuel W. Knowles fund, care of lots 84 and 26, So. Road Cemetery	"	300.00	2½	19.92	3.99	9.00	14.91
1933	Jeremiah S. Kimball fund, care of lot No. 50, So. Road Cemetery	"	50.00	2½	1.52	.64	1.50	.66
1934	Abbie Fifield fund, care of lot and South Road Cemetery	"	1000.00	2½	218.26	15.23	5.00	228.49

1934	Ada B. Hudson, care of J. L. Allen lot, South Road Cemetery	Laconia Savings Bank	50.00	2½	16.43	.83	17.26
1934	V. Estelle Sanborn fund, care of lot No. 26 in Highland Cemetery	" "	100.00	2½	19.26	1.46	17.72
1934	Harriet S. Leonard fund, care of Dr. Hurd lot in Highland Cemetery	" "	100.00	2½	9.37	1.36	8.73
1934	Mrs. Charles Richards fund, care lot No. 179 in South Road Cemetery	" "	100.00	2½	11.45	1.39	9.84
1935	Mary Page fund, care Frank Chase lot in South Road Cemetery	" "	50.00	2½	12.85	.78	13.13
1935	Asa Gile fund, care of Gile lot in Jamestown Cemetery	" "	100.00	2½	20.31	1.50	17.81
1935	Otis Sanborn fund, care of lot No. 35 in Highland Cemetery	" "	100.00	2½	8.17	1.35	7.52
1938	George P. Dearborn fund, care of lot in South Road Cemetery	" "	100.00	2½	8.41	1.35	7.76
1938	Lettie Hall fund, care of lot No. 181 in South Road Cemetery	" "	100.00	2½	5.56	1.31	3.87
1939	M. Jennie Small fund, care of Small and Garmon lots	" "	103.17	2½	6.27	1.33	4.60
1939	Mabel A. D. Clark fund, care Sweatt lot No. 131, South Road Cemetery	" "	200.00	2½	20.95	2.75	20.70
1939	Mrs. Sada Pelham fund, care Lillian Hull lot, South Road Cemetery	" "	100.00	2½	6.31	1.33	5.64
1940	Nahum E. Sanborn fund, care of his lot, South Road Cemetery	" "	100.00	2½	4.69	1.30	3.99
1940	Edna French fund, care Moses Ly- ford lot, South Road Cemetery	" "	100.00	2½	5.51	1.31	4.82
1940	Wm. B. Courser fund, care Courser lot, South Road Cemetery	" "	200.00	2½	10.34	2.63	9.97

Report of Trust Funds—Continued

Date Creation	TRUST FUNDS Purpose of Creation	How Invested	Principal	Rate Int't	Income on hand at beginning of year	Income during year	Expend during year	Balance on hand at end of year
1942	Vinson E. Hadley fund, care of Hadley Cemetery, Province Road	Laconia Savings Bank	200.00	2½%	9.06	2.61	1.80	9.87
1942	Ethelbert Sayward Fund, care of the Woodman Cemetery	"	100.00	2½	2.88	1.28	1.80	2.86
1942	Benjamin Mudgett fund, care of lot in South Road Cemetery	"	50.00	2½	1.64	.64		2.28
1938	Fred L. & George Hancock fund, care of lot in South Road Cemetery	"	200.00	2½	20.17	2.75	3.00	19.92
1944	Sarah Lamprey Fund, care of Lamprey Cemetery on Province Rd	"	200.00	2½				
1944	Mabel A. D. Clark fund, care of Moore lot 139, So. Rd. Cemetery	"	200.00	2½				

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the accounts of the selectmen, highway agent, town clerk, treasurer, tax collector, trustees of public library, and trustees of trust funds, and find them sustained by proper vouchers, and all accounts correctly cast.

Belmont, N. H., March 1, 1945

ELLIS BLAISDELL
Auditor.

SCHOOL REPORTS
Belmont School District

OFFICERS OF THE DISTRICT

Moderator
STANLEY F. HILL

Clerk
NETTIE P. HAGGETT

Treasurer
WILLIAM E. PHILLIPS

Auditor
FRANK HUNTOON

School Board

JOHN J. MCDONOUGH	Term expires 1945
MILTON D. HAYWARD	Term expires 1946
NORMA A. PRESCOTT	Term expires 1947

School Nurse
RUTH B. WHITCOMB
209 South Street, Concord, N. H.

Superintendent
DONALD P. MATOON
Tilton, N. H.

Telephone: Office Tilton 531
Residence Tilton 6425

Regular Meetings, School Board, First Tuesday of
each month 8:00 p. m.

FINANCIAL REPORT
Belmont School District
For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1944

Receipts

Cash on hand July 1, 1943	\$ 1,185.21	
Appro. (\$4,230.50 pd in 1942-43)	16,230.50	
Telephone	9.56	
City of Laconia	350.00	
Sale of Supplies	77.14	
Ernest Fiske, trans. H. S. pupils	79.00	
Canterbury School District	340.00	
Loudon School District	94.44	
Gilmanton School District	270.28	
General Insurance Co.	4.00	
State Aid	5,517.75	
Federal Aid, Home Eco.	212.45	
State of N. H., reimburse- ment 1943 State Aid	262.71	
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Total Receipts		\$24,633.04

Payments

Administration

Salaries of District Officers:

Milton D. Hayward	\$ 50.00
John J. McDonough	50.00
William E. Phillips	40.00
Norma A. Prescott	50.00
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Total	\$ 190.00
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Superintendent's Salary:

Winnifred F. Walker

Treasurer Supervisory Union \$ 392.00

Truant Officer and School Census:

R. E. Lane \$ 3.20

Dorothy Swain 25.00

Total		\$ 28.20
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Expenses of Administration:

Harley Brown, postmaster \$ 22.48

Edson C. Eastman Co. 23.80

Ernest F. Fiske 8.35

W. R. Morrison 1.50

Donald P. Mattoon 21.90

N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co. 69.58

William E. Phillips 10.00

Winnifred F. Walker,

Treas. Supervisory Union 315.00

Total		\$ 472.61
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Instruction

Teachers Salaries:

Mary Catherine Burpee

(\$93.28) \$ 1,156.72

Editha K. Cowing (\$115.52) 1,077.81

Ernest F. Fiske (70.26) (5.25) 1,590.39

Velma E. Lucier (138.99) (2.25) 1,177.61

Helen E. Martin (165.20) (2.25) 1,282.55

Dorothy Metcalf, substitute 24.00

Agnes H. Moulton (94.24) (5.25) 989.25

Alberta Nelson (95.20) (2.25) 1,002.61

Ruth F. Sawyer 275.00

Dorothy Swain, substitute 64.00

Donald C. Taylor, substitute	5.00
Calista Teft, substitute	4.00
Louise Whitten (113.56)	1,073.44
Fred G. Wilman (17.52)	887.10
Collector of Internal Rev.	904.47
N. H. Hospitalization Ser.	17.25
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Total	\$ 11,531.14

Textbooks:

Allyn & Bacon	\$ 48.81
American Book Co.	1.38
Anseo Publication Inc.	6.69
C. C. Birchard Co.	17.32
The Bruce Publishing Co.	5.65
Irving Caesar	1.00
Ginn & Co.	145.08
Houghton Mifflin Co.	52.63
Iroquois Publishing Co.	40.87
The Manual Arts Press	1.81
McCormick Mathers Co.	48.01
Public School Publishing Co.	3.32
Prentice Hall, Inc.	5.19
Rand McNally Co.	1.29
Silver Burdett Co.	2.49
Southwestern Publishing Co.	16.79
Scott, Foresman Co.	4.42
The Macmillan Co.	108.91
John B. Varick Co.	1.80
Webster Publishing Co.	3.53
The John C. Winston Co.	4.83
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Total	\$ 521.82

Scholars Supplies:

Edward E. Babb & Co.	\$ 378.22
Bakers Remnant Store	11.51
Belmont Community Store	11.05
Boulia Gorrell Lumber Co.	24.93
Milton Bradley Co.	5.00
Brodhead-Garrett Co.	16.54
The Bruce Publishing Co.	13.61
Bryant & Lawrence	3.45
Cambosco Scientific Co.	39.55
Central Scientific Co.	52.77
The Delta Manufacturing Co.	4.14
Diamond Match Co.	66.18
J. O. Harbour	3.00
Keep Klean Apron Co.	15.00
Kidder Lumber Co.	142.78
Oscar Lougee Co.	.93
Lougee- Robinson Co.	2.87
W. R. Morrison	22.00
The National Education Assn.	1.59
Prescott's Pharmacy	26.97
Rand McNally Co.	6.38
A. H. Rice & Co.	2.70
The Charles C. Rogers Co.	1.00
The Ralph H. Smith Co.	24.00
The Sugar Ball Press	15.70
A. R. Tasker	139.83
John B. Varick Co.	2.25
J. Wiss & Sons Co.	1.15
World Book Company	14.12
Total	\$ 1,049.22

Other Expenses of Instruction:

J. L. Hammett Co.	\$ 22.78	
Donald P. Mattoon	2.12	
W. R. Morrison	27.25	
Pierre D. Vuilleumier	10.00	
William R. Westwood	10.00	
Total		\$ 72.15

Operation and Maintenance of School Plant

Janitor Service:

Clarence B. Dearborn		
(\$27.46) (\$4.50)	937.78	
Collector of Internal Rev.	27.46	
N. H. Hospitalization Ser.	4.50	
Total		\$ 969.74

Fuel:

Levi Clairmont	\$ 9.00	
Clarence B. Dearborn	4.50	
Peter Dutile	929.30	
Paul A. Mansur	15.00	
Karl C. Moore	66.00	
Total		\$ 1,023.80

Water, Light and Janitor's Supplies:

Belmont Hosiery Co.	\$ 279.68	
Clarence B. Dearborn	1.75	
H. J. Dowd Co.	32.00	
A. R. Tasker	21.55	
Town of Belmont	153.50	
Total		\$ 488.48

Minor Repairs and Expenses:

Bryant & Lawrence	\$ 18.66
Clarence B. Dearborn	506.63
Francoeur-Keroack	6.10
Joe Guay	324.20
George A. Head	2.65
Lyle Heath	29.12
H. O. Koford	12.50
Laconia Electric Shop	3.75
Laconia Furniture Co.	52.75
N. E. Building & Maint. Co.	225.00
C. J. Nourie	7.25
Clifford Robichaud	18.80
Ralph H. Smith Co., The	2.00
C. P. Stevens Co.	9.71
Fred G. Wilman	59.80
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Total	\$ 1,078.92

Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities

Medical Inspection:

Ruth B. Whitcomb, R. N.	
(\$4.00)	\$ 617.65
Karl Smith	125.00
Prescott's Pharmacy	9.47
Collector of Internal Rev.	4.00
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Total	\$ 756.12

Transportation of Pupils:

Fred Friend	\$ 1,080.00
Milford Hislop	650.00

Laconia Transit Co.		
(due \$1,479.00)	1,547.00	
R. L. Schaaf	3.00	
Mrs. E. P. Shaw	7.50	
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Total		\$ 3,287.50

Other Special Activities:

Belmont Hosiery Co.	\$ 50.00	..
Robert Dearborn	25.00	
Donald Leith	25.00	
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Total		\$ 100.00

Fixed Charges

Insurance:

J. L. Boutin Ins. Agency	\$ 12.00	
Byse Insurance Agency	10.40	
Hammond Agency	70.00	
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Total		\$ 92.40

Per Capita Tax:

State Treasurer		\$ 610.00
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New Equipment:

Edward E. Babb & Co.	\$ 167.08	
J. O. Harbour	4.00	
Martin & Murray Co., Inc.	12.41	
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Total		\$ 183.49

Debt Service	
Payment of Principal of Debt:	
Laconia Savings Bank	\$ 700.00
Payment of Interest of Debt:	
Laconia Savings Bank	\$ 255.00
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Total Payments	\$ 25,802.59
Balance on hand June 30, 1944	830.45
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Grand Total	\$24,633.04

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. McDONOUGH

MILTON D. HAYWARD

NORMA A. PRESCOTT

School Board

WILLIAM E. PHILLIPS

Treasurer

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

I have examined the accounts of William E. Phillips, Treasurer and of the School Board of Belmont, N. H., and find them sustained by proper vouchers and all correctly cast.

FRANK E. HUNTOON,
Auditor

July 10, 1944.

BUDGET FOR 1945-46
Belmont School District

School Board's statement of amount required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations for the school year beginning July 1, 1945.

Detailed Statement of Proposed Expenditures

Support of Schools:

Teachers' salaries	\$ 13,690.00
Textbooks	650.00
Scholars' supplies	750.00
Flags and appurtenances	20.00
Other expenses of instruction	90.00
Janitor service	970.00
Fuel	1,000.00
Light & Janitors' supplies	600.00
Minor repairs & expenses	300.00
Health supervision	760.00
Transportation of pupils	4,860.00
Other special activities	100.00
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Total	\$ 23,790.00

Other Statutory Requirements:

Salaries of district officers	\$ 192.00
Superintendent's salary	400.00
Truant officer and school census	28.00
High school tuition	0.00
Per capita tax	646.00
Insurance	12.00
New equipment	200.00
Other obligations	341.00

Payment of district debt	700.00	
Interest on district debt	234.00	
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Total		\$ 2,753.00
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Total amount required to meet school board's budget		\$ 26,543.00
Estimated Income		
State Aid (estimated)	\$ 5,100.00	
State Aid (home eco., est.)	175.00	
Laconia Transportation	180.00	
High School tuition (estimated)	450.00	
Dog Tax	100.00	
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Deduct total estimated income (not raised by taxation)		6,005.00
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Assessment required to meet school board's budget		\$ 20,538.00

JOHN J. McDONOUGH
MILTON D. HAYWARD
NORMA A. PRESCOTT

November 13, 1944

School Board

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Members of the School Board, Parents and Voters of the Belmont School District:

Residents of Belmont are interested in their schools, in the pupils who attend them, and in the activities which surround the education of the children. It is a pleasure to report various changes which have taken place since the Report of last year was issued.

Buildings and Equipment Maintenance, Operation, Repair

Minor repairs have been made in the Gale School. New treads for stairs to the basement have been built, and heavy screens placed over the cellar windows.

An additional coating has been laid on the High School roof.

Teachers and Supervisors

The shop program has been materially restricted since a certified teacher for the high school courses was not available. Mr. Fred G. Wilman accepted work in industry for the summer vacation and school year. Boys who might ordinarily study general school practice are now taking a newly-instituted course: Electricity and Machines, taught by the Headmaster.

Miss Louise Whitten did not seek reelection because of her marriage plans.

Miss Genevieve M. Cloutier of Epping, 1944 graduate of the University of New Hampshire, Home Economics course, was elected to manage the Home Economics department and teach Biology. She coaches the girls' sports.

The enrollment in Grades VII and VIII was too large for one teacher to direct the combined unit, so Mrs. Louise G. Downing, experienced teacher of elementary

and high school subjects, former teacher in Wentworth was secured.

Mrs. Mary C. Burpee contemplated marriage and did not seek re-election. Mrs. Agnes H. Moulton was given the principalship pending the return from the armed forces of S. Sgt. James F. McKeon, principal on leave. To teach pupils in Grades IV and V, Mrs. Cecile L. Smith of Tilton, who taught most of last year in the Uplands School, Canterbury, was selected. She is an experienced teacher.

Miss Ruth F. Sawyer, music supervisor, accepted a position in Portsmouth. Her place was filled by the appointment of Miss Priscilla E. Marrotte, recent graduate of the Music Supervisor's course, University of New Hampshire, and resident of Dover.

The other teacher in the Gale School and the three in Belmont High School continue to teach and direct in fine ways. Belmont is fortunate to have competent and devoted teachers on its school staff.

Pupils: Enrollment, Advancement, Attendance, Health

School	Grades	Enrollment	Teacher
Gale	1	16	Mrs. Editha K. Cowing
	2	9	
	2	11	Miss Alberta Nelson
	111	16	
	IV	26	Mrs. Cecile L. Smith
	V	10	
	V	11	Mrs. Agnes H. Moulton
	VI	22	
High	VII	31	Mrs. Louise G. Downing
	VIII	30	Miss Velma E. Lucier
	IX	18	Mr. Ernest F. Fiske
	X	16	Miss Helen E. Martin
	XI	15	Miss Velma E. Lucier
	XII	8	Miss Genevieve M. Cloutier

GRADUATION

Program for the Seventeenth Annual Exercises Thursday Evening, June 13, 1944, 8:00 P. M. in Community Hall

Processional, "Grand March Processional"	Mr. Frank Judkins
Invocation	Rev. Cornelius P. Buckley
Address of Welcome	Elaine Leighton
Selection, "Massa Dear"	High School Chorus
Prayer	Rev. Downing Bowler
Selection, "In a Monastery Garden"	High School Chorus
Address, "'44—A New Beginning"	Mr. William R. Westwood
Address of Farewell	Fern Landry
Presentation of Diplomas	Mr. John J. McDonough
Benediction	Rev. Frederick W. Fitzpatrick
Recessional, "March of the Cadets"	Mr. Frank Judkins

Graduates

Grace Bertha Betourne	Herbert Alan Prescott
Samuel Joseph Corriveau	Mildred Irene Riggins
Florence Adele Dion	Verna Melvin Rogers
Barbara Florence Files	Ernest Green Scharf
John Charles Finley	Ruth Anna Marie Schneider
Roland Delphis Gilbert	Paul Gilbert Stroud, Jr.
Fern Mary Landry	Phillips Oakleigh Swain
Blaine Archer Leighton	
Class Marshal	Edward Gilbert
Colors	Maroon and White
Flower	American Beauty Rose
Motto: "Our Aim: Success; Our Hope: To Win"	

Transportation of Pupils

Transporter	To Schools	Vehicle	Trips	Pupils
Charles R. Waterman	Gale & High	Pontiac Sta.	2	17
Laconia Street Railway	Gale & High	White Bus	1	23
Laconia Street Railway	Gale & High	White Bus	1	60
Wilford C. Hislop	Gale & High	Chevro. Car	2	9

Health Work

The School Nurse, Miss Ruth B. Whitcomb, reports that the health work has advanced during the year due, in part, to the interest of parents in their children, the school, and in health conditions. With Dr. Karl Smith as examining physician, there were 245 pupils examined; 19 were found to have defective vision; 18 defective teeth; 1 with diseased tonsils; 1 with cardiac disease, now under treatment.

The need at the present time is for a dental clinic, as soon as a dentist is available, one will be held.

High School

The Headmaster, Mr. Ernest P. Fiske, submits statements which are not mentioned in relation to other aspects of this report.

To reduce the number of fields in which the high school teachers would be required to prepare themselves, junior high school courses in home economics, shop, English, social studies, science, and mathematics are taught by four different teachers.

To meet the needs of individual pupils, correspondence courses in typewriting, mechanical drawing, and trigonometry were obtained.

The enrollment in home economics and biology is especially high. Ninety percent of the girls in the high school elected home economics. In biology two divisions are required to accommodate all who have enrolled.

The time of the opening and closing of the school day was advanced one-half hour in September, for the convenience of small children who meet the busses early on dark winter mornings.

The senior class sponsored a fair during the fall to raise money for a class trip. The program included a one-act play directed by Miss Helen E. Martin, senior class adviser. There was an auction of a large variety of goods contributed by friends of the school.

In the spring the class of 1944 produced a three-act play and later, two one-act plays. Miss Velma E. Lucier directed a one-act play. Miss Lucier directed a one-act play for junior high school pupils.

At the close of the school year in June, the graduates made a three-day trip to New York. Miss Martin and Mr. Fiske were chaperones.

Boy's basketball has been coached for the last two seasons by Mr. Robert Dearborn. The 1944-45 schedule includes 17 boys' games and 14 girls' games.

A 9-game schedule was maintained in baseball, coached by Mr. Donald Leith.

In war-time activities, 19 high school pupils were released from attendance for an average of 2.4 days for harvesting crops. In addition, 19 boys and 8 girls did the equivalent of 485 eight-hour days of farm work outside of school time from September to December of this year.

War Savings Stamps and Bonds

In June 1944, the following facts were obtained on the sale of War Savings Stamps and Bonds to pupils.

Gale School	Stamps \$798.95	Bonds	\$2,306.25
High School	196.25		300.00

Milkweed Pod Collections

Pupils in Belmont schools have taken part in a national enterprise, collecting milkweed pods from which floss is extracted to make life belts for members of our armed services. Onion bags were furnished by War Hemp Industries, Inc., and the project was conducted under school auspices.

Cost of Schools

Figures for the school year 1942-43, the latest ones published by the State Board of Education showing the costs of schools, give:

State median cost of elementary schools,	\$94.25
Belmont's cost—elementary, per pupil	70.47

In 235 school districts in New Hampshire, the lowest designated as No. 1 and the highest, No. 235, Belmont stands No. 17.

In the high school section, there are 56 public high schools in the State. The median cost is \$136.30. Belmont's cost is \$127.57, standing No. 42.

Reading

There is a wide variation in the ability of children to read. Many of the pupils who are admitted to Grade 1 when they are about six years old are ready to learn reading. Some have even taught themselves to read simple matter. Others are not ready; they may not be when they are seven, or eight, or even nine. It is therefore necessary for the teachers to have several levels or groups in reading in each classroom. They must hold several reading classes each day. In November there were 17 reading groups in the Gale School. The system now in use in our schools is flexible. There are well-graded work materials for the different learning levels and through the conscientious efforts of teachers, the process, "learning to read" is controlled.

Arithmetic

Some teachers in the supervisory union worked nearly a school year in hours outside of school, studying arithmetic standards, subject matter, and work materials, before developing a tentative program in Arithmetic to fit our conditions. Soon after their report was completed, the State Board of Education supplied a program of Studies in Arithmetic. With our own efforts and with the outline from the State Board of Education, we have accepted a satisfactory course in this subject.

Conclusion

In submitting this fifth annual report, I thank the residents for their interest in and support of the schools, the school board members for their fine cooperation, the teachers and school nurse for their industry and success.

Respectfully submitted,
DONALD P. MATTOON

SCHOOL WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

BELKNAP SS.

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the town of Belmont, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in Community Hall, in said District, Saturday, March 10, 1945, at 2:00 P. M., to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
4. To choose a member of the School Board to serve for three years, to fill the vacancy arising from the expiration of the term of office of John J. McDonough.
5. To hear reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.
6. To choose Agents, Auditors, and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
7. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and other district officers.

8. To see if the district will vote to make any alterations in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the district, as determined by the School Board in its annual report.

9. To see if the district will vote to authorize the School Board to sell the Province Road School at public auction or private sale.

10. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Belmont, this fifth day of December, 1944.

JOHN J. McDONOUGH,
MILTON D. HAYWARD,
NORMA A. PRESCOTT,
School Board

A true copy of Warrant: Attest—

JOHN J. McDONOUGH,
MILTON D. HAYWARD,
NORMA A. PRESCOTT,
School Board

